ware, stored on a memory accessible to the processor **20**, for example, volatile memory **40**, non-volatile memory **42**, and/or the like. Although not shown, the apparatus **10** may comprise a battery for powering various circuits related to the apparatus, for example, a circuit to provide mechanical vibration as a detectable output. The user input interface may comprise devices allowing the apparatus to receive data, such as a keypad **30**, a touch display, which is not shown, a joystick, which is not shown, and/or at least one other input device. In embodiments including a keypad, the keypad may comprise numeric 0-9 and related keys, and/or other keys for operating the apparatus.

[0043] As shown in FIG. **3**, apparatus **10** may also include one or more mechanisms for sharing and/or obtaining data. For example, the apparatus may comprise a short-range radio frequency, RF, transceiver and/or interrogator **64**, so data may be shared with and/or obtained from electronic devices in accordance with RF techniques. The apparatus may comprise other short-range transceivers, such as an infrared (IR) transceiver **66**, a Bluetooth™ (BT) transceiver **68** operating using Bluetooth™ wireless technology, a wireless universal serial bus (USB) transceiver **70**, a Bluetooth™ Low Energy transceiver, a ZigBee transceiver, an ANT transceiver, a cellular device-to-device transceiver, a wireless local area link transceiver, and/or any other short-range radio technology. Apparatus **10** and, in particular, the short-range transceiver may be capable of transmitting data to and/or receiving data from electronic devices within the proximity of the apparatus, such as within 10 meters, for example. The apparatus **10** including the Wi-Fi or wireless local area networking modem may also be capable of transmitting and/or receiving data from electronic devices according to various wireless networking techniques, including 6LoWpan, Wi-Fi, Wi-Fi low power, WLAN techniques such as IEEE 802.11 techniques, IEEE 802.15 techniques, IEEE 802.16 techniques, and/or the like.

[0044] The apparatus **10** may comprise a memory, such as a subscriber identity module, SIM, **38**, a removable user identity module, R-UIM, and/or the like, which may store information elements related to a mobile subscriber. In addition to the SIM, the apparatus may comprise other removable and/or fixed memory. The apparatus **10** may include volatile memory **40** and/or non-volatile memory **42**. For example, volatile memory **40** may include Random Access Memory, RAM, including dynamic and/or static RAM, on-chip or off-chip cache memory, and/or the like. Non-volatile memory **42**, which may be embedded and/or removable, may include, for example, read-only memory, flash memory, magnetic storage devices, for example, hard disks, floppy disk drives, magnetic tape, etc., optical disc drives and/or media, non-volatile random access memory, NVRAM, and/or the like. Like volatile memory **40**, non-volatile memory **42** may include a cache area for temporary storage of data. At least part of the volatile and/or non-volatile memory may be embedded in processor **20**. The memories may store one or more software programs, instructions, pieces of information, data, and/or the like which may be used by the apparatus for performing functions of the user equipment. The memories may comprise an identifier, such as for example, an international mobile equipment identification (IMEI) code, capable of uniquely identifying apparatus **10**. In the example embodiment, the processor **20** may be configured using computer code stored at memory **40** and/or **42** to control and/or provide one or more aspects disclosed herein with respect to a user equipment.

[0045] FIG. **4** depicts an example implementation of a base station in accordance with some embodiments of the invention, such as MeNB **101**. The base station may include one or more antennas **440** configured to transmit via a downlink and configured to receive uplinks via the antenna (s). The base station may further include a plurality of radio interfaces **430** coupled to the antenna **440**. The radio interfaces **430** may correspond to a plurality of radio access technologies including one or more of LTE, WLAN, Bluetooth, Bluetooth low energy, NFC, radio frequency identifier (RFID), ultrawideband (UWB), ZigBee, ANT, and the like. The radio interface **430** may include components, such as filters, converters (for example, digital-to-analog converters and the like), mappers, a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) module, and the like, to generate symbols for a transmission via one or more downlinks and to receive symbols (for example, via an uplink).). The base station may further include one or more network interfaces **450**, for receiving and transmitting to other base stations and/or core networks. The base station may further include one or more processors, such as processor **420**, for controlling the interfaces **430** and **450** and for accessing and executing program code stored in memory **410**. In some example embodiments, the memory **410** includes code, which when executed by at least one processor causes one or more of the operations described herein with respect to a base station.

[0046] Without in any way limiting the scope, interpretation, or application of the claims appearing below, a technical effect of one or more of the example embodiments disclosed herein may include enabling autonomous releasing of dual connectivity by a user equipment.

[0047] The subject matter described herein may be embodied in systems, apparatus, methods, and/or articles depending on the desired configuration. For example, the base stations and user equipment (or one or more components therein) and/or the processes described herein can be implemented using one or more of the following: a processor executing program code, an application-specific integrated circuit (ASIC), a digital signal processor (DSP), an embedded processor, a field programmable gate array (FPGA), and/or combinations thereof. These various implementations may include implementation in one or more computer programs that are executable and/or interpretable on a programmable system including at least one programmable processor, which may be special or general purpose, coupled to receive data and instructions from, and to transmit data and instructions to, a storage system, at least one input device, and at least one output device. These computer programs (also known as programs, software, software applications, applications, components, program code, or code) include machine instructions for a programmable processor, and may be implemented in a high-level procedural and/or object-oriented programming language, and/or in assembly/machine language. As used herein, the term "computer-readable medium" refers to any computer program product, machine-readable medium, computer-readable storage medium, apparatus and/or device (for example, magnetic discs, optical disks, memory, Programmable Logic Devices (PLDs)) used to provide machine instructions and/or data to a programmable processor, including a machine-readable medium that receives machine instructions. Simi-